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SUBJECT: SPYROS KYRPIANOU AND THE EMBASSY

REF: NICOSIA 2265

1. SPYROS KYRPIANOU, LEADER OF THE DEMOCRATIC FRONT CALLED CHARGE AUGUST 18 TO EXPRESS HIS CONCERN ABOUT ALLEGED STATEMENTS OF A MEMBER OF FLAFKOS CLERIDES' DEMOCRATIC RALLY IN A SMALL VILLAGE IN THE PAPHOS AREA. THIS PERSON, A MR SOTERIADES, WAS REPORTED TO HAVE TOLD THE VILLAGERS THAT IF KYRPIANOU WINS THE ELECTION, WITHIN SIX MONTHS THE US WILL "GIVE A GREEN LIGHT TO TURKEY TO TAKE OVER THE WHOLE ISLAND OF CYPRUS." KYRPIANOU SAID THAT HE WAS CALLING TO INFORM US OF THIS ACTIVITY BEING CARRIED OUT BY A SUPPORTER OF CLERIDES, BUT ALSO TO TELL US THAT HE WAS GOING TO HAVE TO MAKE A PUBLIC STATEMENT ON THIS ISSUE. HE PLANS, ON THE EVENING OF AUGUST 18, TO MENTION THE INCIDENT AND TO SAY THAT THE CONTENT OF THE ALLEGED STATEMENT IS NONSENSE. CHARGE THANKED KYRPIANOU FOR INFORMING US THAT HE WOULD BE MAKING THE STATEMENT BUT MADE NO OTHER COMMENT.

2. THIS IS THE SECOND TIME KYRPIANOU HAS CALLED THE EMBASSY TO EXPRESS HIS CONTINUING CONCERN ABOUT BEING LABELED ANTI-AMERICAN. WE REPORT IT BECAUSE WE FEAR THAT HE MAY AT SOME POINT INDICATE THAT HIS CONSULTATIONS WITH AMERICAN DIPLOMATS REVEAL THAT THE US DOES NOT OPPOSE HIS PARTY OR HIS CANDIDACY
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